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Mr. Glenn T. Seaborg, Chairman  
Atomic Energy Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Glenn:

You will recall that I told you I would send a biographic sketch on Pete Scoville. One is attached which gives you an outline of his background and accomplishments. To this I would add that over many years of association I have found him to be a very able scientist.

Sincerely,

(Signed) JOHN A. McCONE

John A. McCone  
Director

Attachment

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**HERBERT SCOVILLE, JR.** was born 16 March 1915 in New York City. He attended Andover Academy, Andover, Massachusetts; Yale, B.S., 1937; Cambridge University, 1937-39; University of Rochester, 1940-42, PhD, Physical Chemist.

From January 1941 to August 1944 Dr. Scoville was a research assistant and associate at the University of Rochester doing work for the Chemical Warfare Service. He later assisted in field work and evaluation of chemical and smoke munitions, research on absorption phenomena and development of absorbents for gas masks.

From July to November 1945 he was research associate at the University of Illinois (NDRC Contract) in charge of the Dispersal Subcommittee of Insect Control Committee on properties of aerosols.

From November 1945 to March 1946 he was technical aid and Acting Executive Secretary of the National Research Council dealing with Insecticide Dispersal.

From March 1946 to May 1948 he was Senior Scientist working on AEC contract for the University of California in charge of coordinating and evaluating technical measurements of nuclear radiation from atomic bomb during Operation CROSSROADS. He was also in charge of the Plotting Group of Radiological Safety Section and Technical Analysis Section of the Joint CROSSROADS Committee.

From June 1948 to 1955 Dr. Scoville was Technical Director of the Armed Forces Special Weapons Project dealing with radiological defense and other military aspects of atomic energy. He correlated and edited major portions of "The Effects of Atomic Weapons" published by the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense.

In 1954 he was loaned to the Office of Defense Mobilization to work with Dr. Killian on the Technological Capabilities Panel.

He was appointed Assistant Director of CIA in charge of the Office of Scientific Intelligence on 11 August 1955.

Dr. Scoville was appointed Deputy Director for Research, CIA, on 19 February 1962.